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This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1: (currently amended) A glove or condom former resistant to corrosion by acids and alkalis comprising more than 50% $M_{n+1}AX_n$,

wherein M is a transition metal selected from scandium, titanium, vanadium, chromium, zirconium, niobium, hafnium, and tantalum, or a mixture thereof;

wherein A is an element selected from aluminium, silicon, gallium, germanium, tin, lead and indium, or a mixture thereof;

wherein X is carbon or nitrogen; and

n is 1, 2 or 3.

Claim 2: (currently amended) The corrosive-resistant glove or condom former of claim 1 where M is titanium, A is selected from silicon, germanium or aluminium, X is carbon and n is 2.

Claim 3: (currently amended) A method for producing a latex or synthetic polymer glove or condom comprising:

(a) dipping the corrosive-resistant glove or condom former of claim 1 in a liquid latex or synthetic polymer bath;

(b) allowing the latex or synthetic polymer coating to dry on the former; and

(c) releasing the formed latex or synthetic polymer glove or condom from the former.